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Mrs. Frank Kelley visited in Benton the first of the week.

day with a birthday dinner.

W. R. Whitaker, who is working near Neely's Landing, was in the city last Sunday visiting relatives.

T. J. Jordan, known as the largest man in Illinois died last Friday night. He was six feet had been suffering with this distall and weighed 560 pounds.

The heavy rains that fell last Saturday and Sunday washed railroad.

next week and help swell the two sisters living in St. Louis. seid.

is estimated at \$25,000.

the Blythesville, Ark., and le- Mr. Frenzel was a meniber of "I own 30 per cent of the stock, my cal team clash last Sunday were the Lutheran church and one of daughter to," resumed the banker "It carried off his feet by the enthusias sadly disappointed when the Cape's most concientious citizens is her wish, to which I assent, that I the nature of Vatentine's greeting. rain, that began falling the day before, refused to stop.

C. C. Maddox, editor of the Monday.

Hon, Louis Houck had business in St. Louis Monday.

Mrs. Sallie Smith, nee Sallie accident. Booth, who was reared in this city died at her home in Malden, April 29.

Mr. and Mrs. Laidlaw gave a reception to the teachers of the city schools and Prof. Reavis. the new superintendent. An unusually pleasant evening was enjoyed by all the guests. Mr. MCCALL PATTERNS Laidlaw departure from the city is very much regretted by the teachers and his many friends. MeCALL'S MAGAZINE

S. J. Pyeatte, the new superintendent of the third district of the Frisco, came here Monday to succeed J. A. Frates, who goes wonderful inducements to the first district.

Miss Bertha Rector, of Morley, visited friends here this week.

A car load of E. M. F. cars were received by the Southeast

Motor Car Company, Monday. Don't fail to go on the boat excursion May 9. The best of order will prevail and a good time is assured to those who go.

Boat Excursion.

The first excursion of the year will be, Tuesday evening May 9, on the steamer Cape Girardeau. It will be given by the M. W. A. and Royal Neighbors. Everyone should avail themselves of this opportunity to enjoy another good old excursion.

Summers Elected Auditor

A report reached here to the J. A. McLain went to St. effect that the Triennial State Louis last Monday to visit his camp of the Modern Woodmen son, who is sick in the hospital, of America, elected, George S. Miss Anna Hohler entertained Summers to the office of, Audia number of friends last Sun- tor. The camp is in session at Hannibal this week.

Leo Frenzel Dies.

Leo Frenzel, aged 35 years, 11 months and 24 days died at his home in this city last Monday morning of fistula. Mr. Frenzel ease for two years and was operated on several months ago with Still, I think you are wrong. Won't His plange late the abysmal under the hope that it would be better. you let me explain fully?" He leaves to mourn his loss a Get ready for the school meet of this city, and a brother and of the Fourth National bank of Spring the's goin square for keeps," he mur

Funeral services were held at The Kennett box factory the residence Wednesday afterburned last Sunday. The loss noon thence to the Luthe at the shock the name gave him church." The remains were in-The fans who expected to see tered in the Lorimics cemetery.

Fingers Severed

Henry Maevers, who lives in Chaffee Signal, was in the city Randol to waship, had the mis- viet a position in his establishment fortune to get his fingers cut off last Wednesday while running a ingly But Mr Lane again spoke. circular saw. He was employed





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Alias Jimmy Valentine"

He was about to inform Red of his intention to aid him in a new career when he heard in the corridor the voice of Rese Lane addressing some

one ha believed must be her father, "Here she is, Red," whispered Valentine, rising quickly. "You must get out till they go," But too late. At that instant Rose Lane entered, followed by her father. They saw Valentine standing by a suspicious looking young man with very red halr.

Valentine, realizing that he was on the verge of absolute ruin in the estimation of the girl and her already suspicious futher, for he could hardly explain Red's presence, turned coldly toward the thief.

"I'm very sorry, sir," he said in indifferent tones, "but I don't know the man you are inquiring for. Never beard of him. Guesa you had better Inquire of the clerk at the hotel of-

Red, catching the hint, replied, "Thank you, sir; I will do so," and went out of the room, concealing a grinning face behind his bat.

CHAPTER X.

BOSE greeted Valentine pleasantby the blush in her fresh young cheeks equaling the pink of the roses in her hat. She thanked him for awaiting her return, and she and her father seated themselves on the sofe, the ex-convict standing before them.

It was Mr. Lane who began to lead he conversation to a serious point. "Mr. Randall-my daughter tells me that is the name you gave ber."

"That is my name, sir." "Well, Mr Randall, I am not going neld is a beautiful city, Mr. Randall, to ask questions. I presume no one wishes to forget the past more than you I am going to explain a situation to you and offer you employ-

"While I thank you I could not secept any position at your hands or sistance and procured employment with total strangers."

"But, Mr. Randall," began the girl. The father continued: "I think you are wrong. Mr. Handall. I understand perfectly the spirit which prompts you to take this stand.

With pleasuragelr out another bridge for the Frisco wife and two children and two the one thing amount you We be brothers. John and Ed Frenzel Reve, while mowing this, that you pel mankind to various courses of ac-

> "Springheld, Massachusetts?" claimed Valentine excitedly and turn-

A relieved expression came over Valention's face.

ployee.

Valentine could hardly believe that by that time I'll have one for you." he was hearing aright. That a banker should offer a newly released conwas astounding 'But, Mr. Lane"- he began protest-

"One moment, please. You will get at a saw mill at the time of the a rather small salary to begin with, but as you learn the business-I understand you are an accountant?"

"I was for a time-yes, sir." "That will make your advancement rapid, presuming, of course"banger raised his eyes significantly.

"I nuderstand, sir. Rose leaned forward eagerly. "And don't you see, in a year or

two - size began, but her father interrupted. "And this also I wish you to con-

sider, Mr. Randally In this position your past cannot affect you I mean by that, since we know all, only your future concerns us."

"You are very generous, but"-

Rose again addressed Valentine. "Won't you in some way, allow us the chance to repay the kludness you once did me? I want you to come.

You necept? The other considered for a moment Finally he made up his mind. "With the deepest thanks," be re-

plied feelingly. "We are leaving now. I shall expect you to report when?" asked the

father. "Within a week." "That is entirely satisfactory." Hose arose with her father and

stepped close to Valentine, extending a dainty gloved hand. "I shall look forward to seeing you," she said in a low voice.

The ex-prisoner gazed steadily into "I can only thank you." he man

"Goodby, sir, until next week," spoke the banker.

"I shall try my best to make you glad of this," responded Valentine, bin manner evidencing the gratefulness that welled within him as well as the sarnestness of his desire to build anew the life that he had so nearly weached. Fither and daughter stopped to the natrance buying diment Valentine



'I SHALL LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU. standing in the middle of the hotel parlor. Half dazed by his good for une, he gazed after them.

The banker hesitated a moment, "I believe you, sir," turning toward Valentine. "I believe we shall never egret what we have done."

Rose also had a last word for her hero. She grasped her father's arm and said enthusiastically: "That is just how I feel, too, and-er"-she was becoming embarrassed-"Springshe managed to end.

They were none. Valentine sprang to the entrance and peered after them from between the portieres. A fleetlag vision of a sweet young girl's face. emitting and confident, was his reward as Rose Lane walked out into the coryour daughter's," answered Valentine. Plator. He stood and stared even when "It is better that I marked without as- inther end daughter had gone from wight, his eyes fixed on the point where the girl had disappeared

And he was still standing in the same position when Red Flanagan. who had noticed the cessation of the conversation, stole quietly back in: the room. He saw and understood world, where might makes right and where might makes wrong, had not yet dulled entirely his knowledge of some of the finer emotions that im that He smiled "He's hopeless mured. He diplomatically coughed. Valentine wheeled about

"Here, Red" be cried, "from now ing away his face to lilde the signs of on we go straight. Eve got my charges." He caught Red by both "No; Illinois," responded the banker | snounders and shook him violently to

"By right. But what do I do?" was the gasping response of Red, nimest "You trait along, Red, with me. Get a job in my town for a year, and

"Rioling what?" Valentine burled at his brother safe breaking expert a reply that caused him to stand speechless in amazement, laws distended aimest to the point of dislocation and with eyes that threatened momentarily to bulge entirely out of their sockets.

"I'm going to make you watchman in a national bank," was the cool response of Jimmy Valentine.

. One bright winter afternoon, three years after the day Jimmy Valentine began to "go it straight," a young



LUB RANDALL, ASSESTANT CARRIER.

boy, attired in black velvet knickerbockers, turned the knob of the door of the private office of the assistant caspler of the Fourth National bank of Springfield, Ill. Barely eleven years old Bobby Lane considered it the curest treat of his life to be allowed a chance to invade this usually busy office and to play at being a banker.

The large office had two entrances, one leading into the ball of the large building and another leading into the tiled inclosure in which was being built a spacious new vault. In the middle of the room was a large unhowing deak. Near the hall door and

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